

BHADRAVATI DIVISION.

Abstract Notification dated 4th February 1939.

The attention of the public is invited to the detailed timber sale notification of Tarikere and Bhadravati Depots, published on pages 274-275, Part VI of the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 9th February 1939.

<i>Name of Depot</i>	<i>Date of sale</i>
Tarikere Depot 16th and 17th March 1939.
Bhadravati Depot 18th March 1939.

Tender Notification dated 18th February 1939.

Sealed tenders for cutting small bamboos and carting them to the Mysore Iron and Steel Works Tramways Sidings and delivering the same loaded in trucks for supply to the Paper Factory at Bhadravati will be received by the District Forest Officer, Bhadravati Division, up to 4 P.M. on Monday the 10th March 1939.

2. Each tender should be super. scribed as "Tender for collection and supply of small bamboos to the Paper Factory" and should be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 50 in currency notes for each coupe.

3. The coupes in which bamboos have to be cut, the approximate yield from each coupe and the name of siding to which the bamboo have to be carted are detailed below.—

4. Rate should be quoted per truck-load for cutting and cleaning bamboos, carting them to sidings and loading them into trucks in 9 feet lengths. The dimensions of bamboo load in each truck are 27 feet long, 6 feet wide and 5½ feet high.

5. The Conservator of Forests, Shimoga, will be at liberty to accept or reject the lowest or any other tender without assigning any reason therefor.

6. Within ten days of the date of intimation of the fact of approval, the successful tenderer shall furnish a security of Rs. 100 and execute a bond on a duly stamped paper binding himself to the conditions noted below, failing which the earnest money already paid will be forfeited to Government and the contract cancelled.

7. The contractor should start supply from 1st April 1939 and complete the quantity tendered by him by the end of March 1940, maintaining a proportionate regular daily supply. In the case of contractors whose work has been quite satisfactory, they may be, at the discretion of the Conservator of Forests, allowed to continue their work in the next coupe, the alteration in the rate of payment and unit of delivery being left to the decision of the Conservator of Forests.

The coupes to be worked and the quantity of small bamboos to be cut and removed are detailed below. The allotted quantity should be removed without leaving any balance.

Name of Forest	Number of coupes	Yield of bamboos expected in tons	Average distance of carting to siding	Average daily supplies
Umblebyle	I of 37-38 and II of 38-39.	1,000	2 miles	5 tons
Kakanhosudi	II of 38-39	2,000	"	10 "
Aldhara	Do	1,500	"	5 "
Aramballi	Do	2,500	"	10 "
<i>Kukwada Ubrani :—</i>				
Bandigudda	Do	3,250	1½ "	15 " B.J.T.
Gangur	Do	3,250	1½ "	15 " "
Umblebyle District Jungle	Coupe I	500	1½ "	5 tons on B.A.T. alternate days.
Antargange	Coupes I and II.	500	2 "	5 Do B.J.T.
Total		14,500		

No extraction of bamboos will be allowed from 1st August to end of 30th September 1939.

Conditions.

- (1) Bamboos should be delivered in trucks on correct 9 (nine) feet lengths. The thin end of the bamboos should not be less than three-fourths inch in diameter.

- (2) The bamboos should be delivered loaded in the Mysore Iron and Steel Works' Trucks and closely packed. Payments will be made on the volume of the packed material in units of truck-loads of the dimension of 27' x 6' x 5½' and on the authority of acknowledgments received from the Paper Mills. Deductions for bad packing and voids will be made at the discretion of the District Forest Officer or any other officer deputed by him in consultation with a representative of the Paper Mills. The details regarding the approximate number of bamboos that go to make a truck-load and its weight, etc., will be intimated to intending tenderers at the District Forest Office, Bhadravati. The contractors will have to prepare their bills and present them at the District Forest Office in duplicate for issue of cheques.
- (3) No bamboos under four years old should be felled. The extraction should be confined to culms four years and over in age. These matured bamboos can be made out by the absence of waxy bloom and bracts and presence of big dark blotches and yellow patches on the green. In no case should fellings exceed half of the number of existing culms. The contractor is liable to be fined by the District Forest Officer, if younger culms are cut or his contract cancelled on a repetition of such fellings.
- (4) The clumps to be operated each day will be numbered by the staff and extraction should be confined to such clumps only. The contractor is liable to be fined or his contract cancelled, if this rule is broken or continuously disregarded.
- (5) Culms should be cut at a height of 6" to 12" from ground just above a node so that rainwater may not collect in the inter node. The cut should be clean.
- (6) In extracting bamboos care should be taken not to break or injure the new young shoots. The contractor is liable to be fined at the discretion of the District Forest Officer for any damage to new shoots.
- (7) Fellings should be restricted to big and dense clumps. Open clumps containing only a few bamboos should not be cut.
- (8) Culms left uncut should be left evenly distributed in the clump. Heavy cutting on one side of the clump is strictly prohibited. Cutting on the periphery of clumps should be avoided. All dead bamboos found should be removed from the clumps by the contractor, but should not be included in the supplies.
- (9) All malformed and diseased culms should be removed, the culms left should be vigorous and healthy.
- (10) In extracting bamboos, the contractor should not fell, cut, or damage any surrounding tree growth.
- (11) Cutting bamboos should be taken up in a methodical manner from one side of the coupe in blocks marked by the department. Working in patches here and there or outside the coupe is strictly prohibited. Each block must be completed before the next is taken up.
- (12) If any bamboos are cut above a foot in height an amount to be specified by the District Forest Officer will be deducted from the bill of the contractor and proportionate amount deducted out of the deposit amount for rectification of bad work.
- (13) The tenderer should not sublet his work without the previous sanction of the District Forest Officer. The contractor or his duly authorised representative must be at the work-spot always.
- (14) The contractor will be responsible for the acts of his staff. A list of agents appointed should be furnished and the contractor or one of his agents should personally supervise the work.
- (15) Any rowdy copies of the contractor who disregard or disobey the instructions of the bamboo staff or behave in disorderly manner is liable to be sent out of the coupe and the contractor cannot re-employ them.
- (16) The instructions issued by the Range Officer and the bamboo staff should be adhered to.
- (17) No advance under any circumstances will be granted for the work. Payments will be made only on bills supported by passports for the material, once in 15 days.
- (18) The contractor should pay their work men only on a volume basis. For this gauges for necessary volume of stocks will be supplied from Wood Preservation Plant after recovering the value from the contractor. The gauges will show the tonnages of stacks on the basis of 175 c.ft. per ton. If any contractor is found paying his labour on the number of bamboos his contract is liable to be cancelled forthwith.
- (19) If the contractor fails to supply the daily stipulated quantity, his contract is liable to be cancelled forfeiting the security amount and making him responsible for all losses that might occur in this behalf.
- (20) Temporary cart tracks should be got done by the contractors themselves at their own cost.
- (21) The orders of the District Forest Officer in all matters connected with the supply of bamboos, will be final and in case of any breach of the rules, he may fine the contractor to the extent of Rs. 25.
- (22) The contractor shall abide by the rules of the department as regards kindling of fires and shall hold responsible for any forest offence that may be committed by himself, his agents, employees, or workmen.

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